

**Substitution of Claims**

Please substitute the following claims for the claims filed with Applicant's Amendment filed on October 8, 2003. There have been no substantive changes.

1. (currently amended) A computer mouse interaction device, the device comprising:
  - a first portion comprising a friction surface that receives a mouse;
  - a second portion coupled to the first portion, the second portion having,
    - first and second parallel extensions extending from first and second
    - opposite edges of the second portion, and
    - a third extension extending from a central, symmetrical axis of the second
    - portion, the third extension being parallel to the first and second
    - extensions,
  - a third portion coupled to the second portion and comprising a friction surface that ~~interacts with~~ confronts a surface supporting the device; and
  - a continuous storage sections extending between the first and second opposite edges formed via the coupling of the first, second, and third portions together with the first, second and third parallel extensions, the storage section being only visible from a side.
2. (cancelled) The device of claim 1, wherein the second portion further comprises:
  - first and second parallel extensions extending from first and second opposite edges of the second portion, and
  - a third extension extending from a central, symmetrical axis of the second portion, the third extension being parallel to the first and second extensions,

wherein the first, second, and third extensions are utilized to form the storage section.

3. (cancelled) The device of claim 2, wherein the second portion further comprises a fourth extension that is perpendicular to and between the first and third extension.

4. (cancelled) The device of claim 2, wherein the second portion further comprises a fourth extension that is perpendicular to and between the second and third extension.

5. (cancelled) The device of claim 2, wherein the second portion further comprises:

a fourth extension that is perpendicular to and between the first and third extensions; and

a fifth extension that is perpendicular to and between the second and third extensions.

6. (cancelled) The device of claim 1, wherein the second portion further comprises:

a first extension running along a first central axis of symmetry from a first to a second opposite edge; and

a second extension running along a second central axis of symmetry from a third edge to the first extension, wherein the first and second extensions are perpendicular.

7. (cancelled) The device of claim 1, wherein the second portion further comprises:

a first extension running along a first central axis of symmetry from a first to a second opposite edge; and

a second extension running along a second central axis of symmetry from a third to a fourth opposite edge, wherein the first and second extensions are perpendicular.

8. (currently amended) The device of claim 1, further comprising a at least one cutout section in the first portion proximate ~~and~~ an edge of the first portion and proximate the at

least one storage section utilized to access ~~the~~ materials which may be located within any storage section.

9. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the first, second, and third portions are coupled with adhesive material.

10. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the first portion comprises a foam material.

11. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the second portion comprises a plastic material.

12. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the second portion comprises a cardboard material.

13. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the third portion comprises a rubber material.

14. (currently amended) A computer mouse interaction device, the device comprising:

a first portion comprising a friction surface that receives a mouse;

a second portion comprising a friction surface that ~~interacts with~~ confronts a surface supporting the computer mouse interaction device;

adhesive areas on the first and second portions that receive adhesive material used to couple the first and second portions together; and

a at least one storage section defined between the adhesive areas extending continuously from first and opposite edges of the device after the first and second portions are coupled, the storage section being accessible from ~~a side~~ both sides of the device.

15. (currently amended) A computer mouse interaction device, the device comprising:

a first portion comprising flexible material and friction surface that receives a mouse;

a second portion comprising rigid material coupled to the first portion;

a third portion comprising a rigid material and first, second, and third elongated, parallel extensions, the third portion being coupled to the second portion;

a fourth portion comprising flexible material and a friction surface that interacts with a surface of a support device, the fourth portion being coupled to the third portion; and

a at least one continuous storage section extending from first and second opposite edges of the device and being formed by the coupling of the second and third portions.

16. (original) The device of claim 15, wherein the first, second, third, and fourth portions are coupled with adhesive material.

17. (currently amended) The device of claim 15, wherein the at least one storage section is formed by the coupling of the second, third, and fourth portions.

18. (original) The device of claim 15, wherein the first and second extensions run proximate opposite edges of the third portion and the third extension runs along a central axis of the third portion.

19. (currently amended) A computer mouse interaction device, the device comprising:

a mouse interaction portion;

a support surface ~~interaction~~ confronting portion; and

a storage section extending continuously from one edge of the device to the opposite edge formed ~~based by~~ by coupling the mouse interaction portion and the support

surface ~~interaction~~ confronting portion ~~to~~ of the device, the storage section being accessible from ~~a-side~~ both sides of the computer mouse interaction device and visible substantially only from ~~the~~ either side.

20. (original) The device of claim 19, wherein the storage section is comprised of a plurality of separate storage areas.